IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend the claims as follows:

Claim 1 (Currently Amended): Method of A system for transmitting data on over a physical resource, comprising: using

- [[-]] a layer (RRC) responsible for the management of configured to manage the physical resource and the to guarantee of the a quality of service;
- [[-]] a <u>first</u> sub-layer (RLC) responsible for supplying configured to supply a transmission support in accordance with the required quality of service and to segment the data into transmission units, the first sub-layer reducing a size of at least one of the transmission units when transmission conditions on the physical resource are degraded;
- [[-]] a second sub-layer (MAC) responsible for configured access to transmit at least one of the transmission units over the physical resource during each of transmission time intervals, the transmission time interval being a periodic time interval during which the second sub-layer is allowed to access the physical resource; and
- [[-]] a physical layer (PHY) responsible for the physical processing configured to

 perform error correction coding or decoding of the data.; access to the physical resource being divided into transmission time intervals (TTI);

the sub-layer (RLC) being able to segment the data into transmission units (RLC PDU);

the sub-layer (MAC) being able to transmit at least one transmission unit per

transmission time interval;

characterised in that, in the event of degradation of the transmission conditions on the physical resource, the size of the transmission units is reduced.

Claim 2 (Currently Amended): Data transmission method according to The system of claim Claim 1, wherein characterised in that, at the start of a connection between a transmitter

and receiver accessing the physical resource,

the layer (RRC) determines a plurality of sizes of the of possible transmission units unit sizes for a the transmission time intervals interval (TTI) and in that the second sub-layer (MAC) selects, from amongst this plurality, a transmission unit size one of the plurality of sizes according to the transmission conditions, the second sub-layer selecting a smaller one of the plurality of sizes size being selected in the case of degradation of when the transmission conditions on the physical resource are degraded.

Claim 3 (Currently Amended): Data transmission method according to The system of claim Claim 1, characterised in that, at the start of a connection between a transmitter and receiver accessing the physical resource, the layer (RRC) fixes adjusts a first the size of each of the transmission units unit (RLC PDU) according to the transmission conditions and transmits it the size adjusted to the second sub-layer (MAC).

Claim 4 (Currently Amended): Data transmission method according to The system of claim Claim 3, characterised in that, wherein

in the case of degradation of the transmission conditions on the physical resource, the layer (RRC) fixes a second reduces the size of each of the transmission units unit (RLC PDU) less than the first and transmits it to the sub-layer (MAC) when the transmission conditions on the physical resource are degraded.

Claim 5 (Currently Amended): Data transmission method according to one The system of claim 1 Claims 1 to 4, characterised in that wherein

the layer (RRC) guarantees a the quality of service by assigning a set level SIR, to the ratio of received signal power to noise plus interference,[[;]]

in the case of degradation of the transmission conditions the transmission power of the a transmitter is increased so as to maintain the quality of service, and [[;]]

the size of <u>each of</u> the transmission <u>units</u> unit (RLC PDU) is reduced when the transmission power reaches a maximum value.

Claim 6 (Currently Amended): Data transmission method according to The system of claim Claims 4 and 5, characterised in that wherein

the layer (RRC) allocates resources by lowering the set level SIR_t of a service according to the inverse of its <u>a</u> degree of priority of the service.

Claim 7 (Currently Amended): Data transmission method according to one of the preceding claims, characterised in that The system of claim 1 wherein

the layer (RLC) functions is configured to retransmit the transmission units in an acknowledged mode, a transmission unit being retransmitted if the acknowledgement is not received.

Claim 8 (Currently Amended): <u>A UMTS mobile telephony system using a data transmission method according to the system of one of the preceding claims claim 1</u>.

Claim 9 (Currently Amended): Mobile The system of claim 2 mobile telephony system according to Claim. 8 using a data transmission method according to Claim 2, characterised in that wherein

the layer (RRC) supplies to the <u>second</u> sub-layer (MAC) the plurality of possible sizes by means of the TFCS a table.

Claim 10 (Currently Amended): Mobile telephony system according to Claim 8 using a data transmission method according to Claim 4, characterised in that The system of claim 4, wherein

the layer (RRC) fixes adjusts a second size the plurality of sizes of for the transmission units unit by sending a new TFCS table to the second sub-layer (MAC).

Claim 11 (New): The system of claim 2 wherein

the layer guarantees the quality of service by assigning a set level to the ratio of received signal power to noise plus interference,

in the case of degradation of the transmission conditions the transmission power of a transmitter is increased so as to maintain the quality of service, and

the size of each of the transmission units is reduced when the transmission power reaches a maximum value.

Claim 12 (New): The system of claim 3 wherein

the layer guarantees the quality of service by assigning a set level to the ratio of received signal power to noise plus interference,

in the case of degradation of the transmission conditions the transmission power of a transmitter is increased so as to maintain the quality of service, and

the size of each of the transmission units is reduced when the transmission power reaches a maximum value.

Claim 13 (New): The system of claim 4 wherein

the layer guarantees the quality of service by assigning a set level to the ratio of received signal power to noise plus interference,

in the case of degradation of the transmission conditions the transmission power of a transmitter is increased so as to maintain the quality of service, and

the size of each of the transmission units is reduced when the transmission power reaches a maximum value.

Claim 14 (New): The system of claim 5, wherein

the layer allocates resources by lowering the set level of a service according to the inverse of a degree of priority of the service.

Claim 15 (New): The system of claim 11, wherein

the layer allocates resources by lowering the set level of a service according to the inverse of a degree of priority of the service.

Claim 16 (New): The system of claim 12, wherein

the layer allocates resources by lowering the set level of a service according to the inverse of a degree of priority of the service.

Claim 17 (New): The system of claim 13, wherein

the layer allocates resources by lowering the set level of a service according to the inverse of a degree of priority of the service.

Claim 18 (New): The system of claim 2 wherein

the layer is configured to retransmit the transmission units if acknowledgement is not received.

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Claim 19 (New): The system of claim 3 wherein

the layer is configured to retransmit the transmission units if acknowledgement is not received.

Claim 20 (New): The system of claim 4 wherein

the layer is configured to retransmit the transmission units if acknowledgement is not received.

Claim 21 (New): The system of claim 5 wherein

the layer is configured to retransmit the transmission units if acknowledgement is not received.

Claim 22 (New): The system of claim 6 wherein

the layer is configured to retransmit the transmission units if acknowledgement is not received.

Claim 23 (New): The system of claim 11 wherein

the layer is configured to retransmit the transmission units if acknowledgement is not received.

Claim 24 (New): The system of claim 12 wherein

the layer is configured to retransmit the transmission units if acknowledgement is not received.

Claim 25 (New): The system of claim 13 wherein

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the layer is configured to retransmit the transmission units if acknowledgement is not received.

Claim 26 (New): The system of claim 14 wherein

the layer is configured to retransmit the transmission units if acknowledgement is not received.

Claim 27 (New): The system of claim 15 wherein

the layer is configured to retransmit the transmission units if acknowledgement is not received.

Claim 28 (New): The system of claim 16 wherein

the layer is configured to retransmit the transmission units if acknowledgement is not received.

Claim 29 (New): The system of claim 17 wherein

the layer is configured to retransmit the transmission units if acknowledgement is not received.